



## ENVIRONMENT

*"Service is the  
rent that you pay  
for room on this  
earth."*

*Shirley Chisholm*

### Programs

AmeriCorps members and alumni positively affect the lives of their fellow Californians everyday. By getting involved, AmeriCorps members are preserving and protecting California's natural habitats and resources, educating young people about the environment and conservation strategies, and setting up and maintaining urban recycling programs, inner-city parks and community gardens. Some of GO SERV's environmental programs include:

### **QUICK FACTS**

- GO SERV members serve in 7 environmental programs.
- GO SERV funding for environmental programs totals more than **\$5.5 million.**

### **Watershed Stewards Project:CCC**

Members work to conserve, restore and sustain California's watersheds inhabited by salmon and steelhead. Using state-of-the-art data collection and watershed restoration techniques, members work with 25 natural resource professionals in 16 communities from San Francisco to the Oregon border gathering data and evaluating watersheds throughout the state.

### **AmeriCorps Backcountry Trails**

Living in the backcountry and serving full time for five months in California's National and State Parks and US National Forests, members repair backcountry trails destroyed from flooding or erosion, establish defined trails in protected areas, and build retaining walls to protect existing trails. Members in this statewide program have served more than 1,200,000 hours and have restored 6,000 miles of wilderness trails

### **Marin CC - Habitat Restoration Program**

Members serve on the Habitat Restoration Crew, partnering with mentors from the National Park Service or a local agency to restore natural habitats and watersheds in and around the Bay Area, including the Golden Gate National Recreation Area, Point Reyes National Seashore and the Marin Municipal Water District. A principal goal of the program is to engage the urban and rural communities of the Bay Area in an effort to increase the number of volunteers invested in restoring public lands.

### **Oakland Community ServiceCollaborative-EBCC**

Members serve students in the lowest performing elementary and middle schools in the Oakland Unified School District, as well as provide environmental stewardship in the hills of the East Bay Regional Park District. Almost 600 of Oakland's lowest readers are tutored one-on-one in literacy, 300 students previously tutored participate in after school programming four days a week, 600 students actively participate in community gardening and health education, and more than 375 students who are at risk of not being promoted will participate in 4 week summer enrichment academies.

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